

Docket No.: 392.1874

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Noritake NAGASHIMA et al.

Serial No. Group Art Unit:

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For: NUMERICAL CONTROLLER

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: